



**WHITESTOWN TOWN COUNCIL
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 9, 2016**

1. OPENING THE MEETING

- A. Eric M Calls March 9, 2016 Town Council Meeting to Order; Roll Call: Susan Austin, Eric Miller, Kevin Russell, Clinton Bohm, Jeff Wishek; Present.
- B. Presentation of the Colors - Pledge of Allegiance

2. PRESENTATIONS:

- A. Eric M brings first order of business: Strategic Doing Proposal for Town Strategic Plan Proposal
 - Dax N talked about the plan. Extensive project. Dax N asked for proposal for short term and long term plan.
 - The strategy becomes a living document
 - Kevin R m/m to approve pending, Susan A 2nd, Jeff W said it sounded like it was Standard Operating Procedure.
 - Eric M asked for vote; 5-0 in favor. Motion passed.

Introduction and swearing in of new Fire Marshall

Chief Westrich introduced the new Fire Marshall, Steve Milstead, and gave his background and history. Steve Unger performed the swearing-in of Steve M.

3. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REPORTS

There were no questions regarding the financial management report.

4. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Planning and Community Development – Kevin R asked Lauren Bailey for clarification on a subject, Lauren B said she would get the information for him.

5. PUBLIC REQUEST TO SPEAK – No requests

6. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Meeting Minutes – **Susan A** m/m to adopt agenda as presented, **Clinton B 2nd Eric M** asked for vote; approved 5-0.
- B. **Susan A** m/m to approve: 2/3/2016 Judge Appointment Meeting Minutes, 2/3/2016 Workshop Meeting Minutes, 2/10/2016 Meeting Minutes, 2/24/2016 Clerk/Treasurer Meeting Minutes; Claims: Expenses Town, Revenues Town, Utility Claims, and Approval of A Request by the Whitestown Fire Department For An Emergency Lighting Purchase for the New Fire Department Vehicles; **Clinton B 2nd Eric M** asked for vote; approved 5-0.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consider An Ordinance Regarding Eligibility & Commitments For Certain Economic Development Alcohol Beverage Permits (Ordinance 2016-09)
 - The ordinance was read by **Eric M** with the State Statute related to the ordinance.
 - Kevin R m/m to suspend rules and have a 2nd reading, Susan A 2nd No further discussion, approved 5-0.
Kevin R m/m to pass the ordinance, Susan A 2nd no further discussion, motion adopted 5-0
- B. Consider An Ordinance Adopting An Amended Budget for 2016 (*Ordinance 2016-10*)
 - Clinton B m/m to suspend rules, Eric M 2nd, approved 5-0
 - Clinton B m/m to adopt ordinance, Susan A 2nd; Kevin R gave further discussion, asking about the contract; Dax N said it was not a contract, but a budget item from Parks. Nathan M clarified how the pay worked. Kevin R made suggestion about making it more specific in next year's budget. Vote 5-0; ordinance adopted.
- C. **PUBLIC HEARING** - Consider Approval of A Letter of Intent to Apply For CDBG Funds for Legacy Core Storm Water Infrastructure Project **Letter of Intent**
 - I. Dax N noted this was a major project to remedy the storm sewer issues.
 - II. Amy Miller gave presentation, explaining how the grant funds would be used. Kevin R asked if it was a matching grant, Amy M replied it was.
 - III. Eric M asked if anyone from the public had anything to discuss regarding the public hearing. No one spoke.
 - IV. Kevin R m/m to close public hearing, Susan A 2nd, motion passed 5-0.
- D. Consider An Ordinance Regarding the Removal of Mud and Other Substances From Whitestown Streets (*Ordinance 2016-07*)
 - I. Susan A m/m to suspend rules to have 2nd hearing, Eric M 2nd; 5-0 to suspend rules
 - II. Susan A m/m to adopt the motion, Jeff W 2nd, ordinance was adopted 5-0.
- E. Consider An Ordinance Establishing the Whitestown Department of Storm Water Management and Creating A Storm Water Special Taxing District (*Ordinance 2016-*

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- I. Dax N specified this does not create a tax. He said the town would likely take over the upkeep of the new Storm Water system after the special census; taking over responsibility from the County.
 - F. Consider An Ordinance Concerning Excessive Noise Within Town Limits (*Ordinance 2016-11*)
 - I. Eric M said there was work to do on this before it goes forward.
 - G. Consider Resolutions 2016-14-19 Resolutions Thanking Certain Members of the Indiana General Assembly for Supporting HEA 1386 (*Resolution 2016-14-19*)
 - I. Dax N said this was a very pro-economic development tool. Dax N talked about how this passed the House and this was to thank all of the members who helped this bill pass.
 - II. Susan A m/m to adopt, Clinton B 2nd, Clinton B also noted Chairman Tom Dermody was also integral behind the scenes in getting the bill passed.
 - III. Kevin R m/m to amend ordinance to include Rep. Dermody in the resolution. Susan A 2nd, no further discussion; motion adopted 5-0.
 - H. Consider Appropriation and Contract for 2016 Town Fireworks
 - I. Discuss Community Center Feasibility Study RFQ
 - II. Dax N explained how the budget allocated money
 - III. Kevin R m/m to pass the contract, Susan A 2nd; motion adopted 5-0
 - I. Discuss Community Center Feasibility Study RFQ
 - I. Eric M was not sure where the money was coming from for this project, so he thought there needed to be more discussion on this first
 - II. Kevin R and Jeff W reiterated the need for more discussion
 - III. Susan A wants to get more input from the next generation on what the project should include
 - IV. Clinton B wants more of a foundation on this project before moving forward
9. **Town Administration Reports:**
- A. Infrastructure Projects
 - Dax N said the Median is coming to a close, money was encumbered from 2015 for this project. Gathering quotes for landscaping in the median, coming in around \$45,000. Dax asked if he could get approval to move forward and pay for it through the Maple Grove Fund.
 - Eric M wants to see proposals, Dax N said there would be 3 proposals by the end of the week.
 - Dax N said the only pressing matter on this is that the trees would need to be planted soon, before May/June.
 - Clinton B suggested we hold off until there can be a bit more discussion
 - Susan A asked about which kind of tree was being put in. Dax N said it

was a special kind of Maple which grows straight up and down.

- Dax N said this median will not have grass.
- B. Access Drive on Perry Worth to be named Mills Drive
- C. Dax N said he and Jason L were looking into infrastructure projects, specifically the Roundabouts. They are showing deterioration and might need to be re-paved soon.
- D. Clinton B asked if any conversations with WMPD about exit 133 regarding traffic patterns.
- E. Dax N talked about the detour TDS is causing, and how it was widely publicized.
- F. Dax N discussed the issue about the projector in the Town Hall and how it would be better to replace it with a newer projector than buying a bulb for the old projector; they are approx. the same cost.
- G. Dax N talked about putting a wall in the new CT office and how offices are moving around to make better use of space.
- H. Dax N talked about getting quotes for the interest signs.
 - Jeff W asked about putting a Whitestown sign by the Anson sign, Dax N said it was a part of this project.
- I. Dax N talked about murals in Whitestown and the interest being shown about them.
- J. Kevin R congratulated Eric M on his newborn son.

Susan A m/m to adjourn, Clinton B 2nd, no discussion. Vote 5-0 to adjourn meeting at 8:05pm.